

**BYLAW 15-20
BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF OKOTOKS
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
REGARDING PENALTY CHARGES FOR UTILITIES
IN THE TOWN OF OKOTOKS**

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act*, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000 Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, the Council of the Town of Okotoks passed Bylaw 24-18, the Water Bylaw, for the purpose of provision and regulation of a water utility within the Town of Okotoks; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Okotoks passed Bylaw 09-19, the Fees, Rates, and Charges Bylaw, for the purpose of establishing fees, rates, and charges for services provided by the Municipality; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Okotoks deems it desirable to amend the Bylaw 24-18 and Bylaw 09-19 to provide financial relief to Town utility account holders due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Okotoks enacts as follows:

1. That under section 3.9 of Bylaw 24-18 the following subsection be added and all subsequent subsections renumbered accordingly:

3.9.6 Despite sections 3.9.2, 3.9.3, 3.9.4, and 3.9.5 and due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the utility billing due dates will be delayed for 3 months from the utility due dates of March 31 and May 29, 2020.

2. That Schedule 'A of Bylaw 09-19, under Utilities, Water, Sewer, Storm Water, and Waste Management, be amended with the addition to the utility penalty provisions as follows:

<i>Service Description</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Current Fee</i>	<i>Effective January 1, 2020 (unless otherwise specified)</i>	<i>Unit of Measure</i>
<u>UTILITIES:</u>				
Water:				
Storm Water:				Waived for Jan-Feb and Mar-Apr 2020 Billing Cycles
Waste Management:				
Penalty rate on Utilities Receivable in arrears	1-Jan-13	4.0%	4.0%	Bi-monthly


It is the intention of Council that each separate provision of this Bylaw shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein and it is the further intention of Council that if any provision of this Bylaw is declared invalid, all other provisions hereof shall remain valid and enforceable.

This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon third reading.

READ A FIRST TIME this 23rd day of March, 2020.

READ A SECOND TIME this 23rd day of March, 2020.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED this 23rd day of March, 2020.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer